



EASTERN AREA MANAGERS BRIEFING

Date: 5/18/2006 Time: 1700 CDT Preparedness levels: EA 1 National 2

AM updates received since last evenings posting are shown in green.

Fire Weather Watches/Warnings: <http://fire.boi.noaa.gov/>

No Red Flag Warnings or Watches have been issued for the Eastern Area today

Fire Activity by Area updated 5/18 @ 1700

Northeast— No new Fire Activity reported. State resources in the affected flood areas of Maine, New Hampshire and Connecticut are assisting with damage assessment and mitigation. There are still some road closures in the flood area.

Mid-Atlantic — No new Fire Activity.

Great Lakes — Wisconsin reported minimal fire activity. Majority of the Centers are reporting full green up. Prescribed fire activities are planned for portions of this area.

Big Rivers — No new Fire Activity

Large Fire Activity:
None

Fire Weather Assessment:

The low which has been spinning over the Northeast for quite a while will finally begin to slowly pull out of this region on Friday. However, showers and thunderstorms will persist over the Northeast states. Brisk northwest to west winds will continue over the eastern Great Lakes, Indiana, Mid-Atlantic, and western Northeast states behind the cool front which moved through on Thursday. The driest air will reside over the western portions of the Big Rivers and Great Lakes. Minimum humidity levels will drop below 35 percent over parts of these areas.

Eastern Area Fire Activity via SIT Report on 5/18 @ 1630

Agency	Wildfire	Acres	Rx Fire	Acres
BIA	0	0	0	0
FWS	0	0	7	2489
NPS	0	0	0	0
STATES	0	0	10	769
USFS	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0

Resource Commitment from ROSS 5/18 @ 1700

Area Resources Committed Outside the Eastern Area					
Provider Agency	Aircraft	Crews	Equip	OH	Grand Total
No Agency ID	0			1	1
BIA				3	3
FWS				6	6
NPS				2	2
States				3	3
USFS	1		1	13	15
Grand Total	1		1	28	30

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No Agency ID			0	1	1
BIA			1	0	1
FWS			0	0	0
NPS				0	0
States			0	3	3
USFS		0	8	10	18
Grand Total		0	9	14	23